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DEPT FOR SCA/RA ATTN: JOSEPH BRENNIG

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SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL LEAHY VETTING FOR SPECIAL OPERATIONS IN COMBATING TERRORISM COURSE, MAY 2008

- ¶1. This is an action request. See para three.
- 12. The following candidate has been selected for participation in the Special Operations in Combating Terrorism Course to be held at Hurlburt Field, FL, from May 3 to 16, 2008. Post vetting was completed on March 24, 2008. Post requests that vetting be completed by April 2, 2008, to provide sufficient time for processing. Post requests the department conduct Leahy vetting for the following candidate:

Name: Mohammad Rafigul Islam

Rank: Major General

Unit: HQ, 55th Infantry Division

Unit Location: Dhaka Personal Number: 1678

Date of Birth: July 25, 1956

Place of Birth: Barisal, Bangladesh

- $\underline{\P}3$. Post requests that the Department of State authorize post to make the following statement to the relevant DOD units: "Embassy verifies that the Department of State possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the above named individual or unit.
- 14. Post Human Rights Officer is Luke Zahner, unclass e-mail:zahnerlv@state.gov.
- 15. COMMENT: Embassy has no information to indicate this individual or any unit he has served in has been involved in gross violations of human rights. Pasi